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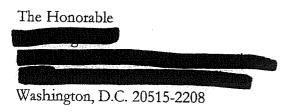
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Dear Congressman

I would like to congratulate you on your re-election to Congress. Please allow me to thank you for supporting a strong bilateral relationship between the Kingdom of Morocco and the United States of America.

As you know, Morocco was the first country to recognize the United States of America in 1777. Our Treaty of Peace and Friendship signed in 1786, which is still in force, established a strategic partnership that has remained important to both countries for more than 220 years -- from our first efforts to secure open sea commerce two centuries ago, through our 2004 free trade agreement and our fight against international terrorism today. Though historic, our alliance remains grounded in very modern principles -- a common commitment to democracy, open markets, human rights, security cooperation, and winning the struggle against terrorists and extremists. As you begin the 112th Congress, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the milestones in our joint economic, political, and security initiatives and our hopes for the year ahead.

As we look to engage the challenges of the 21st century in an increasingly globalised world, where events that occur in one region can potentially send shockwaves across continents, we realize that our destinies are more interlinked today than they have ever been. As such, we know that the positive future of North Africa depends on advancing real economic and security integration in the region. This is why His Majesty King Mohammed VI has been calling for the opening of the borders between Algeria and Morocco and for a strong cooperation between the two countries. This will promote welfare, peace, and security in North Africa and the Sahel.

In the same spirit and to resolve the over 30 year dispute over the Western Sahara, Morocco, with the help of the international community, put forward in April of 2007 a compromise autonomy plan which was recognized as "serious and credible" by the United States and the United Nations. Based on a wide national and international consultation process, this autonomy plan was fully supported by many countries, while others openly welcomed it as being "constructive", "brave" and a good basis for dialogue.

The U.S. Congress has been especially supportive in backing this breakthrough autonomy initiative. In an overwhelming show of bipartisan support, a majority of the US Congress signed a letter endorsing Morocco's compromise plan in the 111th Congress. The last three US Administrations have also supported this important policy. With the help of the international community, Morocco is hopeful that a compromise and negotiated solution based on autonomy under Moroccan sovereignty can finally resolve this dispute.

In 2010, Morocco reaffirmed its irreversible commitment to democracy and human rights. As with the ground-breaking Family Law that enshrined equality between men and women, the free and fair 2002 and 2007 parliamentary elections, the free and fair local elections in 2009 and the human rights provisions guaranteed in the Constitution, we continue to create a human rights culture both at home and abroad.

As Morocco experiences these breakthrough democratic reforms, we also face strong security challenges. Terrorist groups, including al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM), have attempted to destabilize our region by bombing the innocent across North Africa. Indeed, the incidence of attacks by terrorists based in North Africa—against targets in and out of the region — has more than tripled since September 11, 2001. This poses a grave threat that we must meet by working closely together with both the United States, which has declared Morocco a major non-NATO ally and our regional partners. Our resolve to defeat the forces of terrorism has never been stronger. To succeed, we must continue our robust bilateral intelligence sharing and security cooperation to apprehend and dismantle terrorist groups before they act. Morocco's purchase of 24 Lockheed Martin F-16C/D fighter aircrafts from the U.S. and major joint military exercises are just small examples of our bilateral security cooperation.

Morocco is committed to working with the United States and other allies to promote peace and security abroad. Currently Morocco is ranked 19th in deploying troops as part of the UN peacekeeping operations. Our military recently completed peacekeeping missions in Haiti and Bosnia-Herzegovina, and has peacekeeping forces in many African countries, namely in Côte d'Ivoire and in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Morocco is also active in Africa and committed to delivering aid, resources, technical training and educational opportunities that encourage growth and prosperity for our continent.

While Morocco continues to fight terrorism and consolidate our political and human rights reforms, another important building block is working to eliminate poverty, illiteracy, and marginalization. Morocco has begun implementing the \$697.5 million Millennium Challenge Compact to reduce poverty in our country. The Compact, which is the only one in the world especially dedicated to alleviate poverty, reflects a partnership between the people of America and the citizens of Morocco and is expected to increase Morocco's GDP by approximately \$118 million annually and directly benefit a total of 600,000 of the neediest families. Morocco has already invested hundreds of millions of dollar to improve human development in the country and the MCC is making an important contribution to that comprehensive effort.

Morocco has achieved these milestones thanks also to the high level of respect and warm relations that has characterized our alliance with the United States. We are firmly committed to a strong, supportive, and mutually beneficial bilateral relationship. Again, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support and reiterate Morocco's commitment to providing regional and international leadership that enhances our mutual interests.

There are many challenges and opportunities ahead in 2011. A peaceful and realistic political resolution to the Saharan conflict is Morocco's top priority. This is the time for compromise and unity in our region. I would like to request the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these issues in greater detail. I look forward to working with you to advance our mutual interests and further strengthen the U.S.-Morocco alliance in the 112th Congress.

Asiz Mekouar

# **2011 Report Update**

The Consequences of Terrorism—
An Update on al-Qaeda and other Terrorist Threats
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Maghreb & Sahel Terrorism:

Addressing the Rising Threat from al-Qaeda & other Terrorists in North & West/Central Africa

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Established in 1998, the activities of ICTS are guided by an International Research Council that offers recommendations for study on different aspects of terrorism, both conventional and unconventional. ICTS also serves as a coordinating body for a consortium of universities and think tanks throughout the world, namely the Inter-University Center for Terrorism Studies. ICTS is also affiliated with the Inter-University Center for Legal Studies (Washington, DC).

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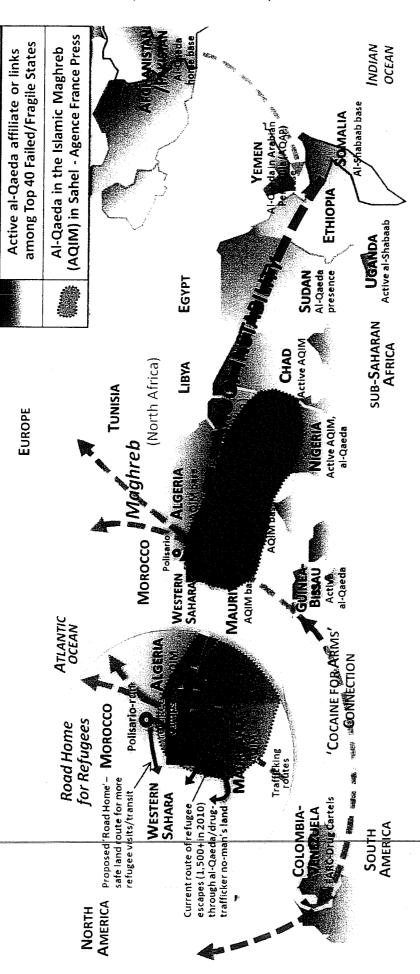
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# TERRORISM HOT SPOT: AL-QAEDA CASTS SHADOW OVER THE SAHEL

Traces path across Failed/Fragile States, Links with Cartels at new Crossroads of Terrorism & Trafficking



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We learn from history that nothing is permanent in world affairs. Empires, nations, and people rise and decline, and others take their place. The only certainty is uncertainty and consequently a realistic analysis of factors that contribute to stability or instability of national, regional, and global security frameworks is critical.

Tragically, the Maghreb – Algeria, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia – as well as adjacent parts of the Sahel – Chad, Mali, and Niger – have emerged as one of the most worrying strategic challenges to the international community, and yet for decades these regions have mostly been neglected by United States diplomacy. Consider, for example, the empirical data generated since September 11, 2001.

Terrorist attacks by al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) and other extremist groups in both the Maghreb and Sahel increased 558% from their low during the period to a new high of 204 attacks in 2009, and remain dangerously high, with 178 in 2010. Thus, over the past nine years, more than 1,100 terrorist bombings, murders, kidnappings, and ambushes against both domestic and international targets have claimed almost 2,000 lives and 6,000 victims of violence. Moreover, according to open intelligence sources and a recent fact-finding trip to the region in January 2011, there exists growing evidence that AQIM, local traffickers, and possibly members of the Polisario are forming links with Latin American organized criminal groups for trafficking drugs and humans via transit networks into Europe.

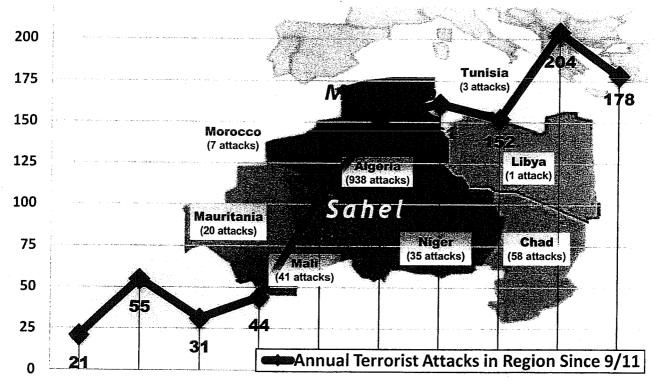
What is particularly of grave concern is that AQIM, jointly with the other al-Qaeda affiliates (e.g. al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula – AQAP – operating in Yemen, as well as al-Shabaab members in Somalia) currently and for the foreseeable future, represent a most dangerous threat both regionally and inter-regionally. Clearly in the failed and fragile states bordering the Sahara, al-Qaeda has established a safe haven and breeding ground for its activities.

Two major concerns feed into this arc of instability that stretches from the Red Sea and is poised to reach to the Atlantic. First, is the lingering 35-year old Western Sahara conflict, which is creating an opening for AQIM's expansion and also recruitment of hard-core Polisario members among the Sahrawi refugee camps in Algeria, further complicating the viability of a diplomatic resolution for the Western Sahara issue.

And second, the sudden and explosive recent popular street protests in Tunisia that ousted the authoritarian President, Zine el-Abidine Ben Ali, who had ruled the country for 23 years, open up the possibility that al-Qaeda will attempt to take advantage of the unfolding drama in its effort to destabilize the region.

The purpose of this updated report is to supplement two earlier special studies published in 2009 and January 2010. The publication titled "Why the Maghreb Matters: Threats, Opportunities, and Options for Effective Engagement in North Africa" (March 2009) was co-sponsored by the Conflict Management Program of the John Hopkins University jointly with the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies. This report was supported by a bipartisan panel of foreign policy experts, including General (ret.) Wesley Clark, Amb (ret.) Stuart Eizenstat, former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Professor William Zartman, and other distinguished academics and former diplomats.





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The panel's special report recommended that the new US administration "look around the corner," as President Barack Obama had advocated, and engage the region more effectively to prevent the brewing crisis in security before it erupts. More specifically, the report outlined threats, opportunities, and options for the United States to promote peace and prosperity, and prevent a growing peril in North Africa. The nations of the Maghreb have long been at the crossroads of history and currently hold great potential as a bridge between the Islamic world and the West. The region could benefit greatly from increased regional economic integration that would make it an appealing market for Europe and the United States. But it also faces serious challenges: a firm toehold by al-Qaeda in the Sahara, inconsistent economic growth, a growing and restive young population, and regional disputes that impede economic and security cooperation, in particular the long-running dispute over Western Sahara.

The second report, "Maghreb & Sahel Terrorism: Addressing the Rising Threat from al-Qaeda and other Terrorists in North and West/Central Africa" (January 2010), which I authored and was published by the International Center for Terrorism Studies at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, presented an overview of terrorism and dealt in some detail with the security challenge in the region and its implications.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The key insights and recommendations underlined in that study appear even more relevant, and urgent, a year later. They include the following steps that should be given close consideration by US policy makers and the international community in general:

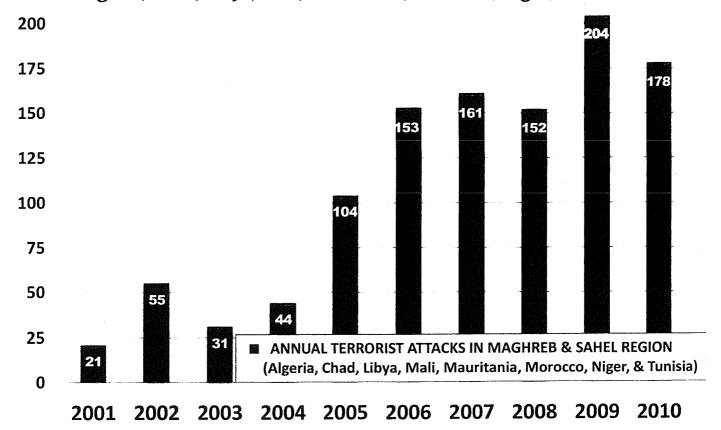
- Develop a comprehensive program in the affected countries to increase public awareness concerning the nature of jihadist terrorism as a form of low-intensity warfare being waged against the Maghreb and Sahel; how it affects the local populations; how it diverts resources away from economic development; and how it constrains political open space.
- 2. Strengthen the US intelligence mechanisms in order to provide more effective collection and analysis of data related to terrorist activities by al-Qaeda and other extremists in the region and beyond. And ensure that the information is used effectively by cooperating bodies in the region through providing equipment, training, and monitoring assistance.
- 3. Deny supporters of Islamic extremism in the Maghreb, Sahel, and elsewhere the capacity and freedom to engage in propaganda through effective information countermeasures, investments in local development, and open channels of communication with local leaders.
- 4. Expand US counterterrorism technical assistance to the area, particularly training for internal security bodies, police agencies, and the military, particularly under the umbrella of multilateral working groups to provide for adequate monitoring and transparency.
- 5. Encourage the governments in the region to continue with a "carrot-and-stick" approach, and with their efforts improve the economic and social conditions in these countries.
- 6. Improve the level of security coordination between the countries in the region so they can more effectively share intelligence and interdict terrorist networks and supply lines on the ground. Also improve the levels of economic cooperation between the nations in the region to spur increased trade and commerce that contributes to economic growth and reduces poverty as an underlying factor in fueling social unrest and extremism. Both security and economic cooperation in the Maghreb and Sahel would no doubt be enhanced by a resolution to the decades-old Western Sahara dispute, which continues to drive a wedge between two of the region's most influential nations Morocco and Algeria.
- 7. Face the intellectual challenge of radical Islam directly with "home-grown" religious and intellectual leaders who are able to challenge the misuse of Islam and channel religious tendencies into more productive social development opportunities.
- 8. Raise the diplomatic, economic, political, and military costs to Iran high enough to outweigh the benefits of supporting terrorism and exporting jihadist terrorism elsewhere.

In sum, a coherent and firm US policy vis-à-vis the threats of terrorism in Maghreb and Sahel would increase domestic public understanding and support in the US for sustained engagement with the nations of North and West/Central Africa. The updated documents incorporated in this report, particularly the statistical tables and terrorism chronology covering the period September 11, 2001 – December 31, 2010 make it clear that constructive and sustained engagement is vital, employing both "hard" (security, military, intelligence cooperation) and "soft" elements (economic and social development creating employment opportunities, education that equips students/trainees for jobs, and reduction of religious radicalism). Otherwise, the US, the EU, and our friends in the region will remain hostages to, and targets of, these ideological, theological, and political terrorists for the remainder of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

# **CHRONOLOGY:**

# Terrorism in North & West/Central Africa

Sept. 11, 2001 – Dec. 31, 2010 Algeria, Chad, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, and Tunisia



## Data Table: Terrorism Incidents in Maghreb & Sahel since Sept. 11, 2001

TIMELINE	Yeas	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
NORTH & WEST/CENTRAL AFRICA NATIONS	Totals: 1,103 attacks	21 attacks	55 attacks	31 attacks	44 attacks	104 attacks	153 attacks	161 attacks	152 attacks	204 attacks	178 attacks
ALGERIA	938 attacks	20	54	28	39	93	120	110	121	185	168
CHAD	58 attacks				3	6	28	14	6		1
LIBYA	1 attack						1				
MALI	41 attacks			1	1	2	3	10	11	9	4
Mauritania	20 attacks				1	3		4	4	6	2
Morocco	7 attacks			2				5			
Niger	35 attacks						1	18	9	4	3
Tunisia	3 attacks	1	1						1		

# INCIDENTS OF TERRORISM IN MAGHREB & SAHEL:

# Chronology from Sept. 11, 2001 to Dec. 31, 2010 — (Updated with 2010 incidents below)

For full listing from 9/11/01 to 12/31/09, go to: http://www.potomacinstitute.org/attachments/524\_Maghreb%20Terrorism%20report.pdf

### 2010

### December 27, 2010

Shepherd wounded by bomb on path in Adekar near Takamra, Tizi Ouzou.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/December
2010ncidentsReport.pdf

### December 25, 2010

Soldier killed, 3 police & 1 soldier injured by terrorists in Dellys, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/kabylie/boumerdes/un-militaire-tue-et-troispoliciers-blesses-dans-un-accrochage-adellys-25-12-2010-104412\_146.php

### December 25, 2010

Terrorist bomb damages building under construction at communal guard head-quarters, Aghribs, Tizi Ouzou. No injuries. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/12/27/newsbrief-01

### December 24, 2010

Shepherd assassinated by armed group in Taffessour, Sidi Bel Abbès. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/un-berger-assassine-a-tafessour-26-12-2010-104518\_109.php

### December 23, 2010

Bomb, gunfire targets military convoy near Tala Bounana, Béni Douala, Tizi Ouzou.

No injuries from terrorist attack.

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### December 23, 2010

An IED exploded in Takamra, Adekar, wounding 1 civilian. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/kabyli

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### December 11, 2010

Bomb targeting soldiers exploded at army base Cap Djinet, Boumerdès. No injuries. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/huit-personnes-arretees-a-cap-djinet-pour-appartenance-a-un-groupe-arme\_13293.html

# **Algeria**

### December 11, 2010

4 gendarmes wounded in terrorist attack in Al Ardja, Cap Djinet, Boumerdès. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/quatregendarmes-blesses-dans-une-attaque-presde-cap-djinet\_13292.html

### December 10, 2010

Armed terrorists attempted to kidnap a businessman from Freha, Tizi Ouzou. The assailants hijacked his vehicle, but fortunately he was able to escape. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/tiziouzou-un-bar-attaque-et-une-tentative-de-kidnapping-avortee\_13285.html

### December 9, 2010

A businessman was kidnapped by five armed men in Yakourene, Tizi\_Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/uncommercant-enleve-a-tizi-ouzou\_13270.html

### November 29, 2010

Chief of national gendarmerie in Legata seriously wounded in a terrorist bomb attack in Ouled Ziane, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/une/boumerdes-un-chef-de-brigade-de-la-gendarmerie-grievement-blesse-et-deux-terroristes-elimines-30-11-2010-101076\_108.php

### November 29, 2010

4 soldiers killed in clash with terrorists in Tenès, Chlef. 2 communal guards and another soldier were also wounded. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/11/30/newsbrief-01

### November 28, 2010

Bomb targets official convoy in Issers, Boumerdès. No one in delegation injured, but explosion injures 3 civilians nearby. http://www.elwatan.com/une/attentatmanque-contre-une-delegation-officielle-athenia-boumerdes-28-11-2010-100793\_108.php

### November 27, 2010

2 communal guards were wounded in second bomb explosion in Beni Ouguigue, Haraza, Bordj Bou Arréidj. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/ungarde-communal-et-un-patriote-tues-abordj-bou-arreridj\_13125.html

### November 27, 2010

2 communal guards killed by bomb in Beni Ouguigue, Haraza, Bordj Bou Arréidj. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/ungarde-communal-et-un-patriote-tues-abordj-bou-arreridj\_13125.html

### November 26, 2010

1 civilian killed, 3 injured by roadside bomb in Zerrif El Ouaer, Tébessa. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/11/28/newsbrief-01

### November 26, 2010

6 soldiers, 2 gendarmes were wounded by terrorists in Ammal, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/une/deuxgendarmes-et-six-militaires-blesses-aboumerdes-27-11-2010-100630\_108.php

### November 26, 2010

Bomb injures 2 gendarmes, 6 soldiers in Cap Djenet, Boumerdès.

http://www.elwatan.com/une/deux-gendarmes-et-six-militaires-blesses-a-boumerdes-27-11-2010-100630\_108.php

### November 20, 2010

Communal guard member assassinated by armed group. Souk el Tenine, Aïn Defla. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/deuxterroristes-abattus-a-boudouaou-et-ungarde-communal-assassine-a-aindefla\_13078.html

### November 16, 2010

A soldier was wounded in a bomb explosion in Bir H'mam, Sidi Bel Abbès. http://www.elwatan.com/une/incursion-terroriste-le-jour-de-l-aid-a-bir-h-mam-sidi-bel-abbes-17-11-2010-99299\_108.php

### November 16, 2010

3 gendarmes were wounded in a bomb explosion Lakhdaria, Bouira. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/divers/troisgendarmes-blesses-dans-un-attentat-a-labombe-a-lakhdaria\_13056.html

### November 14, 2010

Roadside bomb kills 1, injures 3 in Oued El Ouarek, between Djelfa and M'Sila. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/11/15/newsbrief-01

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### November 14, 2010

Terrorists abduct 32-year-old man in failed attempt to kidnap cousin, at false road checkpoint from Aghribs to Azzazga. Target, 50-year-old businessman, escapes attack but suffers undisclosed injury. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/11/16/newsbrief-01

### November 12, 2010

Roadside bomb kills Algerian Legitimate Defence Group member, injures three others in Boghni, of Tizi Ouzou. Bomb placed close to a military cantonment. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/11/14/newsbrief-02

### November 7, 2010

3 soldiers were wounded during a clash with terrorists in Timezrit, Boumerdès. 1 terrorist was also killed in fighting. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/11/08/newsbrief-04

### October 30, 2010

2 soldiers were killed and 4 wounded in a terrorist ambush at Zekri, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-44-24th\_to\_31st\_October\_2010.pdf

### October 29, 2010

An officer and 2 soldiers were wounded in a bomb explosion in Ahnif, Bouira. http://www.elwatan.com/une/un-officier-et-deux-militaires-blesses-dans-lexplosion-d-une-bombe-a-ahnif-bouira-30-10-2010-96892\_108.php

### October 28, 2010

2 soldiers killed and 3 others wounded in a terrorist attack in Tagma, Yakouren. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/deux -militaires-tues-et-trois-autres-blesses-30-10-2010-96803\_109.php

### October 25, 2010

Security forces defuse bomb in Si Mustapha, Boumerdès, where earlier blast killed 1. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/10/26/newsbrief-01

### October 25, 2010

Roadside bomb kills soldier in Si Mustapha, Boumerdès. Attributed to AQIM's El-Arkam brigade. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/10/26/newsbrief-01

### October 24. 2010

Shepherd seriously wounded by bomb in Gabel Boudjelal, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/unberger-grievement-atteint-a-tebessa-26-10-2010-96312\_109.php

### October 23, 2010

Civilian wounded when IED exploded near Oued El Klebe, Boumerdès.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W43\_17th\_to\_24th\_October\_2010.pdf

### October 14, 2010

Security forces defuse bomb in Chabet-El Ameur, Boumerdès. The bomb was found in a café near the police station. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/unebombe-artisanale-desamorcee-a-chabetel-ameur-boumerdes-15-10-2010-94723\_109.php

### October 13, 2010

Bomb kills soldier in Haj Ali, Boulballout, between wilayas of Skikda and Jijel. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/est/sk ikda/un-militaire-tue-dans-l-explosion-dune-bombe-14-10-2010-94601\_128.php

### October 13, 2010

Bomb injures 2 gendarmes in Thénia, Boumerdès. Terrorists set off from distance as patrol passed by. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/deux -gendarmes-blesses-dans-un-attentat-ala-bombe-a-thenia-boumerdes-14-10-2010-94599\_109.php

### October 12, 2010

Roadside bomb kills 3 local officials, 2 contractors in Tlidjen, Tébessa. Newly-appointed public works director, 2 aides inspecting site, vehicle drove over bomb. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/10/13/newsbrief-01

### October 8, 2010

Soldier seriously wounded in a bomb explosion in Zéhif, Bir El Ater, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/tebessa-un-militaire-grievement-blesse-dans-l-explosion-d-une-bombe-09-10-2010-93835\_109.php

### October 4, 2010

Security forces diffuse 2 bombs on road from Souk El Had to Issers, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/kabylie/boumerdes/deux-bombes-desamorcees-asouk-el-had-boumerdes-05-10-2010-93310\_146.php

### October 3, 2010

4 soldiers and 2 civilians wounded in a bomb explosion in Ammal, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/kabylie/boumerdes/deux-bombesdesamorcees-a-souk-el-had-boumerdes-05-10-2010-93310\_146.php

### October 2, 2010

5 soldiers killed, 10 others wounded when terrorists attack convoy in Zekri, Tizi Ouzou. Group conducting sweep in area when attacked by IEDs and terrorists. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/tiziouzou-5-militaires-tues-a-zekri-04-10-2010-93049\_109.php

### October 1, 2010

Terrorists abduct 50-year-old Algerian farmer from home in Tamrouth, Oglat Gasas, Tébessa, demand ransom of one million dinars in exchange for release. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/uneleveur-enleve-par-un-groupe-arme-atebessa-03-10-2010-92897\_109.php

### **September 26, 2010**

Terrorists kidnap 60-year-old merchant in Tizi Ouzou. According to security sources, victim grabbed at fake checkpoint. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/09/28/newsbrief-02

### September 24, 2010

Bomb injures head of Tizi-Ouzou military sector, 2 ANP soldiers, strikes army patrol on sweep in Yakouren forest, near Zekri. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/09/26/newsbrief-02

### September 23, 2010

Assailants fired on, wounded a business owner in Zemmouri el Bahri, Boumerdès.

https://wits.nctc.gov

### September 22, 2010

Soldier killed, another injured in terrorist clash in Aïn Hamra, Boumerdès.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/09/24/newsbrief-02

### September 21, 2010

Judicial police mobile brigade commander died defusing bomb on road between Zemmouri and Si Mustapha, Boumerdès. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/09/22/newsbrief-01

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### September 21, 2010

Bomb in Bordj Ménaïl, Boumerdès kills 2 policemen and wounds 10 civilians. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/09/21/newsbrief-01

### September 19, 2010

2 Patriots and military officer wounded in bomb explosion in El Aouana, Jijel. http://www.lexpressiondz.com/article/2 /2010-09-20/80803.html

### September 14, 2010

Security forces defuse bomb at gendarme outpost in El Hamma, Khenchela. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/centre/actu-est/une-bombe-artisanale-desamorcee-15-09-2010-90181\_221.php

### September 13, 2010

1 killed, 2 others severely injured in a terrorist attack in Maghnia, Tlemcen. http://www.elwatan.com/regions/ouest /tlemcen/une-personne-egorgee-et-deuxautres-grievement-blessees-a-maghniatlemcen-14-09-2010-90096\_139.php

### September 13, 2010

Communal guard member killed, 3 injured by terrorists in Dhéhira, Thlejen, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/une/un-gardecommunal-tue-dans-une-embuscadeterroriste-a-tebessa-13-09-2010-89998\_108.php

### September 11, 2010

Bomb injures 2 soldiers in Akfadou, Béjaïa. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/deux -militaires-blesses-12-09-2010-89702\_109.php

### September 8, 2010

Terrorists attack communal guard unit in Ihassamen, Naciria, Boumerdès, no injuries.

http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/bo umerdes-09-09-2010-89503\_109.php

### <u>September 7, 2010</u>

3 gendarmes were injured in a terrorist attack in Souk El Had, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/boumerdes-09-09-2010-89503\_109.php

### September 6, 2010

Security forces diffused bomb during an ANP operation in Ammal, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/une-bombe-artisanale-desamorcee-et-douze-suspects-arretes-08-09-2010-89337\_109.php

### September 6, 2010

Security forces defuse bomb targeting ANP convoy in Bordj Menaïel, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/une-bombe-artisanale-desamorcee-et-douze-suspects-arretes-08-09-2010-89337\_109.php

### September 6, 2010

3 communal guards killed, 2 injured in terrorist attack in Bin El Ouidène, Skikda. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/tro is-gardes-communaux-assassines-dans-un-attentat-07-09-2010-89190\_109.php

### September 5, 2010

2 soldiers killed, 3 others seriously wounded by bomb in Frahna, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/de ux-militaires-tues-dans-l-explosion-d-une-bombe-07-09-2010-89193\_109.php

### September 4, 2010

7 armed Islamists set up false roadblock near Ouadias to Taguemount Ladjdid, Tizi Ouzou. Rob passing cars, no injuries. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/fau x-barrage-aux-ouadhias-05-09-2010-88941\_109.php

### September 2, 2010

Civilian injured at a false roadblock set up by terrorists in Boghni, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/uncitoyen-blesse-dans-un-faux-barrage-aboghni-03-09-2010-88770\_109.php

### September 1, 2010

Terrorists attack judicial police headquarters in Tigzirt, Tizi Ouzou. No injuries. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/labmpj-de-tigzirt-attaquee-a-la-roquetteartisanale-02-09-2010-88594\_109.php

### September 1, 2010

Suicide car bomb attacks military convoy in Zaatra, Boumerdès, kills 2, wounds 9. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/attentat-kamikaze-a-zemmouri-boumerdes-2-morts-et-9-neufs-blesses-01-09-2010-88478\_109.php

### August 31, 2010

Terrorist attack kills 1 civilian, injures 1 police, 7 civilians in El Abadia, Aïn Defla. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/incursion-terroriste-a-ain-defla-un-mort-ethuit-blesses-01-09-2010-88461\_109.php

### August 29, 2010

Bomb in Tagma, Yakouren, Tizi Ouzou, wounds military officer, destroys vehicle, damages cars nearby. No one takes credit. https://wits.nctc.gov

### August 29, 2010

IED wounds 2 guards in Kadiria, Bouira.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-3522ndto29thAugust2010.pdf

### August 28, 2010

Terrorist attack military vehicle in Aghribs, Tizi Ouzou, kill 1 soldier, wound 2. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-35-22ndto29thAugust2010.pdf

### August 26, 2010

A bomb exploded in Tigzirt, Tizi Ouzou.

No one was wounded.

http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/enbref-29-08-2010-88025\_109.php

### August 24, 2010

IED explodes in Ghrab, Tébessa. No injuries. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/explo sion-d-une-bombe-artisanale-26-08-2010-87643\_109.php

### August 24, 2010

Retired Algerian customs officer believed kidnapped in June attack on 11 gendarmes Mali-Algeria border executed by AQIM. http://www.jeuneafrique.com/Article/ARTJ AWEB20100825155537/algerie-terrorisme-al-qaida-aqmiaqmi-execute-un-douanier-retenu-en-otage-depuis-deux-mois.html

### August 24, 2010

Kidnapped father/son found with throats slit in Ouzina, Aïn Rich, M'sila. 3rd murder in region in week. AQIM's believed culprit. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/deuxcitoyens-egorges-a-m-sila-24-08-2010-87349\_109.php

### August 23, 2010

Bomb injures 3 people in El Aouana, Jijel. http://www.elwatan.com/une/un-convoi-detransport-de-fonds-cible-par-des-terroristes-ael-aouana-jijel-23-08-2010-87270\_108.php

### August 22, 2010

Bomb targets police convoy escorting foreign workers, Texanna, Jijel. No injuries. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/explo sion-d-une-bombe-a-texenna-jijel-23-08-2010-87231\_109.php

### August 21, 2010

2 police officers killed, 1 wounded at Rass El Oued, Bordj Bou Arreridj in shootout with terrorist, who was killed in incident. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-3416thto22ndAugust2010-.pdf

### August 21, 2010

Repentant terrorist shot, killed in Baghlia, Boumerdès. Two men opened fire on 39-year-old outside café. Victim reportedly surrendered to authorities in 2006.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/08/23/newsbrief-02

### August 19, 2010

Bomb in Ouzina, Aïn Rich, M'sila, wounds 2 gendarmes responding to report of body found with throat cut. Bomb explodes several meters from corpse. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/uncitoyen-egorge-et-deux-gendarmes-blesses-21-08-2010-86959\_109.php

### August 19, 2010

3 soldiers killed, 4 wounded in bomb explosion in Kniza, on the road linking Baghlia to Taouarga, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/actualite/trois-militaires-tues-et-quatre-autres-blesses-a-baghlia-23-08-2010-87079\_109.php

### August 15, 2010

Two bombs in Theneit Boussalah, Batna, kill 1 soldier and wound 4 civilians, 1 soldier. Civilians injured by roadside bomb. Second bomb explodes when soldiers arrive.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/08/15/newsbrief-02

### August 7, 2010

1 soldier killed, 4 wounded in attack on a military convoy near Beni Ksila, Béjaïa. http://www.elwatan.com/Beni-Ksila-Bejaia-Un-militaire-tue

### August 6, 2010

Terrorists assassinate Mayor of Baghlia, Boumerdès outside of his house. http://www.elwatan.com/Boumerdes-Le-president-de-l-APC-de

### August 6, 2010

5 soldiers were wounded in a bomb explosion near Siar, Chechar, Khenchela. http://www.elwatan.com/Les-terroristes-activent-aux-monts

### August 6, 2010

Security forces diffused a bomb near Chender, Bordj Ménaïel, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/Boumerdes-Une-bombe-desamorcee

### August 1, 2010

2 security officers seriously wounded by bomb near Oglat El Krakra, Bir El Ater, Tébessa. Second bomb in region in 48 hrs. http://www.elwatan.com/Tebessa-Quatre-blesses-dans-l

### July 31, 2010

2 security officers seriously wounded by bomb near Oglat Ahmed, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/Tebessa-Quatre-blesses-dans-l

### July 28, 2010

Bomb kills 2 children, injures 5 others in Ouled Sidi Brahim, Bordj Bou Arréridj. http://www.elwatan.com/Bordj-Bou-Arreridj-Deux-enfants

### Iuly 28, 2010

Assault injures 2 guards in prisoner transport convoy in Tizi-Ouzou going from Alt Yahia Moussa to Draâ El Mizan prison. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/07/29/newsbrief-02

### July 27, 2010

3 soldiers were wounded in a bomb explosion in Mizrana, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Mizrana-Tizi-Ouzou-Trois

### July 25, 2010

Suicide bomber kills 1, wounds 8 at gendarme station in Beni Aïssi, Tizi Ouzou,. AQIM claims responsibility. http://www.elwatan.com/L-attaque-a-eu-lieu-hier-matin-a

### July 18, 2010

Terrorists kidnap businessman, a local market manager collecting receipts in Tementout, Jijel, forcing him into his own car. Peugeot 505 later found abandoned on road to Ain Essebt in the Setif region. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/07/19/newsbrief-01

### July 17, 2010

Security forces diffused 2 bombs near Yakouren, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/tiziouzou-deux-bombes-desamorcees-ayakouren\_11579.html

### July 15, 2010

4 people killed in bomb explosion near Djellibae, Boudoukhane, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/Tebessa-4morts-dans-l-explosion-d

### July 14, 2010

4 soldiers die and 13 injured by 4 bombs in Kabylie region, triggered on road between Tadmait and Larbaâ, Tizi-Ouzou.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/07/15/newsbrief-01

### July 5, 2010

A shepherd was wounded in an IED explosion in Beni Zaid, Skikda. https://wits.nctc.gov

### July 4, 2010

3 gendarmes killed, 2 injured by roadside bomb blast in town of Ziama, Jijel. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/07/05/newsbrief-01

### July 4, 2010

2 civilians killed by roadside bomb near Gabel Boudjelal, Oglat El Melha, Tébessa, returning from a hunt in the Boudjelal mountains. 2 passengers injured. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/07/04/newsbrief-01

### July 3, 2010

A civilian was kidnapped by an armed group in Tamokra, Béjaïa.

http://www.elwatan.com/Un-entrepreneur-kidnappe-depuis

### July 3, 2010

Armed group kidnaps businessman at false roadblock in Fréha, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/tiziouzou-nouvel-enlevement-d-un-homme-a-freha\_11448.html

### July 3, 2010

Civilian kidnapped in Draâ El Mizan, Tizi Ouzou, released after ransom paid. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/tiziouzou-nouvel-enlevement-d-un-homme-afreha\_11448.html

### July 1, 2010

2 Patriots were wounded in a bomb attack in Tachta, Aïn Defla. http://www.elwatan.com/Ain-Defla-Deux-patriotes-blesses

### July 1, 2010

An army officer was injured in a bomb blast near Draâ El Mizan, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/07/04/newsbrief-01

### June 30, 2010

11 gendarmes killed when the vehicle they were traveling in was attacked by armed Islamists in Tinzaoutine, Tamnarasset, located near the Algerian-Malian border. Al-Qaeda in Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) claims responsibility. http://www.lemonde.fr/afrique/article/20 10/07/01/al-qaida-au-maghreb-islamique-revendique-la-mort-de-11-gendarmes-algeriens\_1381482\_3212.html

### June 27, 2010

1 civilian wounded by homemade bomb in Tala Mimoune, Mizrana. http://www.elwatan.com/Mizrana-Tizi-Ouzou-Un-citoyen

### June 26, 2010

2 Army officers were killed and several other soldiers wounded in an IED attack in Naciria, between the towns of Imaghninène and Bouassem. http://www.elwatan.com/Boumerdes-Deux-militaires-tues

### June 25, 2010

7 people were killed in a terrorist attack by armed Islamists in El Kitna, Tébessa. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/septmorts-dans-une-attaque-terroriste-pres-detebessa\_11356.html

### June 24, 2010

Terrorists attacked wedding party that had just returned home to celebrate the rites of henna in An Ghrab, Tébessa, killing 5, wounding 3 others.

http://www.elwatan.com/Cinq-morts-dans-une-attaque

### June 23, 2010

Bomb wounds colonel and lieutenant near Kharbouch, Aïn Defla. http://www.elwatan.com/Ain-Defla-Uncolonel-et-un-sous

### June 22, 2010

Repentant terrorist assassinated at home by terrorists at Kerkira, near Collo. Woman with him seriously injured. http://www.spectre-international.com/documents/W-26.pdf

### <u> June 21, 2010</u>

Bomb remotely-detonated on road from Lakhdaria to Bouderbala, west of Bouira, targeting Algerian Legitimate Defence Group (GLD) convoy. No casualties. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/06/22/newsbrief-01

### June 12, 2010

3 soldiers killed, 6 wounded in terrorist ambush near Yakouren, Tizi Ouzou.

http://www.tsaalgerie.com/politique/terrorisme-3militaires-tues-et-6-blesses-dans-uneembuscade\_11195.html

### **Iune 11, 2010**

Suicide bomber rams truck into barracks of elite police unit in Timizar, Boumerdes. At least 9 people killed and 17 wounded. AQIM claims responsibility. http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20100611/ap\_on\_re\_af/af\_algeria\_bombing

### June 10, 2010

The Chinese Embassy in Algiers has confirmed that one of its nationals was killed in an IED attack on a Police checkpoint near Bouira. The man was a passenger in a vehicle stopped at the checkpoint when the device exploded.

http://www.spectre-international.com/documents/W-26.pdf

### <u>June 9, 2010</u>

Homemade bomb discovered at mall in Baraki, suburb of Algiers, and diffused by security forces.

http://www.elwatan.com/Dissimuleedans-un-carton-Une

### June 6, 2010

2 communal guards were killed and 1 was wounded in a bomb attack in Aït Felkaï, Darguina, Béjaïa.

http://www.tsaalgerie.com/politique/terrorisme-deuxgardes-communaux-tues-dans-unattentat-pres-de\_11078.html

### June 5, 2010

A shepard was wounded in a bomb explosion in Stah Guendis, Sidi Abid. http://www.elwatan.com/Un-berger-grievement-blesse-dans-l

### <u>lune 5, 2010</u>

A former member of the GLD, believed to be kidnapped in late May, was found dead in Sid Ali Benyoub, Sidi Bel Abbès. http://www.elwatan.com/Sidi-Bel-Abbes-Un-patriote

### May 26, 2010

A civilian was injured in a bomb explosion in Mhaga, Idjeur, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/tizi-ouzou-unhomme-grievement-blesse\_10960.html

### May 21, 2010

1 person wounded when a homemade bomb exploded in El Eulma, Sétif. http://www.elwatan.com/El-Eulma-Setif-Une-bombe

### May 19, 2010

IED exploded as military convoy passed near Si Mustapha, Boumerdès, killing 2 soldiers and seriously wounding 18. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/terrorisme-2-militaires-tues-et-18-grievement-blesses\_10811.html

### May 17, 2010

Armed group kidnaps factory worker at roadblock near Béni Zmenzer, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/terrorisme-nouveau-kidnapping-de-citoyen-a-tizi-ouzou 10781.html

### May 15, 2010

IED explodes as police convoy passes, Lakhdaria, Bouira. No casualties reported. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-20-10thto16thMay2010-.pdf

### May 13, 2010

2 civilians were wounded in a bomb explosion in Arib, Aïn Defla. http://www.elwatan.com/Arib-Ain-Defla-Explosion-d-une

### May 13, 2010

2 people killed, 15-20 soldiers, civilians wounded in double bombing in Baghlia, Boumerdès. No group takes responsibility, but Islamic terrorists are suspected.

http://www.elwatan.com/Baghlia-Boumerdes-Deux-morts-et

### May 10, 2010

3 Patriots wounded in terrorist ambush at Iflissen, Tizi Ouzou in follow up operation after terrorists kill patriot and son.

http://www.spectre-international.com/documents/W-20-

### May 9, 2010

10thto16thMay2010-.pdf

Armed group kidnaps 35-year-old farmer in Baghlia, Boumerdès, as he prepared to visit vineyard near Oued Sebaou, demanding 20-million dinar ransom. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/05/11/newsbrief-01

### May 8, 2010

30-year-old member of rural militia and his little boy killed in Tizi-Ouzou terrorist ambush. Another member of Legitimate Defence Groups (GLD) reported missing after vehicle attacked near Takourabt. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/05/09/newsbrief-01

### May 8, 2010

4 soldiers were wounded in a bomb explosion near Aghzer, El Aouana, Jijel. http://www.elwatan.com/Hamza-El-Aouana-Quatre-personnes

### May 6, 2010

Terrorists wound Patriot guarding village at Djaafra near Bordj Bou-Arreridj.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/Incidents\_
Report\_May2010-.pdf

### May 4, 2010

30-year old farmer seriously wounded by IED near field, Taourga, Boumerdès. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/Incidents\_ Report\_May2010-.pdf

### May 4, 2010

Woman injured in a bomb explosion in Boumansour, Yakouren, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Yakouren-Une-femme-blessee-dans-l

# May 2, 2010 Algerian soldiers diffuse bomb near

Tizi-Ouzou village of Ichoukrene.
Villagers alert troops after discovering device buried on road used by security patrols.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/05/03/newsbrief-01

### April 29, 2010

A soldier was killed in a firefight with terrorist in a sweep and search operation near Tidjelabine,
Boumerdès.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W-19.pdf

### April 27, 2010

4 security agents, working for the gas company Enrico Mattei, were seriously wounded by bomb in Ghefrane, Tébessa.

http://www.elwatan.com/Tebessa-4-blesses-dans-l-explosion

### April 24, 2010

An unidentified armed group on allegedly kidnapped a truck driver passing through a fake roadblock on the way to Laghitoune, Boumerdès. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/04/25/newsbrief-04

### April 23, 2010

2 soldiers killed, 1 wounded by bomb in Irraguern, Ziama Mansouriah, located between Béjaïa and Jijel. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/aumoins-deux-morts-et-un-blesse-dans-unattentat-a-la-bombe\_10405.html

### April 23, 2010

A soldier was wounded in a bomb explosion near Azeffoun, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/tiziouzou-le-jeune-commercant-libere-et-unmilitaire\_10407.html

### April 20, 2010

2nd bomb targets convoy from Azazga to Yakourène, Tizi Ouzou. No injuries. http://www.tsaalgerie.com/politique/terrorismeexplosion-de-deux-bombes-pres-de-tiziouzou\_10373.html

### April 20, 2010

Bomb targeting police outpost exploded at the Tassalast beach near Tigzirt, Tizi Ouzou. No one was wounded http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/terrorisme-explosion-de-deux-bombes-pres-de-tizi-ouzou 10373.html

### April 10, 2010

A soldier was wounded when a homemade bomb exploded near Jorf Trab, Oued Taourira, Sidi Bel Abbès. http://www.elwatan.com/Un-militaire-blesse-dans-l,156160

### April 10, 2010

Security forces successfully dismantled bomb near Souk El Thenine, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Une-bombedesamorcee-a-Souk-El

# April 7, 2010 A young shop owner was kidnapped

near Beni Douala, Tizi Ouzou. The man was driving when his car was intercepted by a group of armed men. http://www.tsaalgerie.com/politique/nouveau-kidnappingde-citoyen-a-tizi-ouzou\_10231.html

### April 7, 2010

Bomb near Boumerdès kills 2 Algerian gendarmes, injures 3 civilians, including an 8-year-old girl. Attack in Tidjellabine targets convoy transporting explosives. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/general/2010/04/08/newsbrief-02

### April 3, 2010

Bomb wounds 3 soldiers near Akfadou, Béjaïa, responding to earlier attack area. http://www.tsa-algerie.com/politique/aulendemain-de-l-attentat-terroriste-contredes-agents-de\_10169.html

### April 3, 2010

7 security guards killed in terrorist attack on road between Tifra and Akfadou, Béjaïa. Convoy of guards providing security for Turkish company working with Sonelgaz hit by roadside bomb. http://www.elwatan.com/Embuscade-a-Tifra-Bejaia-Sept

### April 1, 2010

2 civilians wounded by roadside bomb near Aïn Zaouia, on the route between Boghni and Drâa El Mizan, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Draa-El-Mizan-Une-bombe-fait-2

### March 28, 2010

2 shepherds seriously wounded by an bomb explosion in Mizab, Tébessa. http://www.elwatan.com/Explosion-d-une-bombe-a-Tebessa,155169

### March 22, 2010

Businessman kidnapped by an armed group in Aït Kouffi, Boghni, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Boghni-Tizi-Ouzou-Un-entrepreneur

### March 18, 2010

Security forces defused a roadside bomb in Lakhdaria, Bouira. http://www.elwatan.com/Une-bombedesamorcee-a-Lakhdaria,154198

### March 15, 2010

A group of armed men kidnapped a businessman in Beni Zmenzer, Tizi Ouzou. Businessman later released. http://www.elwatan.com/Tizi-Ouzou-Des-citoyens-liberent

### March 5, 2010

A soldier was wounded in a bomb explosion in Tafessour, Sidi Bel Abbès. http://www.elwatan.com/Sidi-Bel-Abbes-Un-militaire-blesse

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### March 4, 2010

1 soldier killed, 6 others wounded in a bomb explosion in El Aouana, Jijel. http://www.elwatan.com/El-Aouana-Jijel-Un-mort-et-six

### March 3, 2010

Using homemade mortars for the second time in one week, AQIM attack police barracks in Yakouren. No injuries reported.

http://www.elwatan.com/Tizi-Ouzou-Recrudescence-des-actes

### March 2, 2010

AQIM attack police barracks in Tizgirt, Tizi Ouzou using homemade mortars, wounding 2 police, 1 civilian. First use in several years of such weaponry by AQIM against security forces.

http://www.tsa-algerie.com/ politique/terrorisme-une-caserne-de-policeattaquee-au-heb-heb\_9675.html

### March 1, 2010

4 soldiers were wounded following a bomb attack on the road linking Ouled Aïssa and Ouled Ameur, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/Boumerdes-Explosion-d-une-bombe-a

### February 25, 2010

4 soldiers were wounded in a roadside bomb attack near to Ighil Ali, Béjaïa. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W10.pdf

### February 23, 2010

3 civilians kidnapped by armed terrorists in Dermoune, Tébessa while herding sheep. 400 sheep taken as well. http://www.elwatan.com/Tebessa-Troispersonnes-enlevees

### February 20, 2010

Security forces successfully dismantle 2 artisanal bombs on the road linking Baghlia and Taourga, Boumerdès. http://www.elwatan.com/Boumerdes-Ouatre-individus

### February 20, 2010

Simultaneous bombs in Boumerdès kill-1 soldier, injure 5 others. Sources said bombs buried near football pitch in Afire, near Dellys, detonated remotely. http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbri efs/general/2010/02/21/newsbrief-03

### February 18, 2010

Security forces defused a bomb found in the city centre of El Eulma, Sétif. http://www.elwatan.com/Une-bombe-artisanale-desamorcee-a

### February 1, 2010

3 soldiers, including a senior officer and municipal guard, injured by a roadside bomb planted near Oued Djemaa, Aïn Defla. Explosion reportedly triggered remotely.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/a wi/xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbr iefs/general/2010/02/02/newsbrief-01

### January 30, 2010

1 Patriot killed and 4 wounded by IED explosion striking bus near Bouaidel, between Ammal and Si Mustapha.

http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/W05-25thto31stJan2010-.pdf

### January 30, 2010

2 civilians were wounded by a bomb explosion in Yakourène, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Tizi-Ouzou-Une-bombe-fait-deux

### January 28, 2010

Security forces defused a second bomb on the train tracks near Sidi Aïch, Bejaïa.

http://www.elwatan.com/Bejaia-Lerail-nouvelle-cible-des

### January 28, 2010

Bomb explodes on tracks near Lota, Timezrit, Bejaïa as cargo train passes. No injuries, but significant damage to train cars and railline linking Beni Mansour and Bejaïa.

http://www.elwatan.com/Explosion-aupassage-d-un-train-de

### January 18, 2010

A gendarme was assassinated during a terrorist attack in Kadiria, Bouira.

http://www.elwatan.com/Unaendarme-assassine-a-Kadiria

### January 17, 2010

Terrorists kidnapped 2 civilians near Tala Amalou, Toudja, Béjaïa. http://www.elwatan.com/Toudja-Bejaia-Deux-citoyens

### **January 13, 2010**

2 Army officers killed and 1 gendarme injured by bomb in Allaghene, Tazmalt, Bejaïa. Security forces approach bodies of 2 dead terrorists when 3<sup>rd</sup> terrorist blew himself up.

http://www.elwatan.com/Deux-officiersde-l-ANP-tues-a,148600

### January 10, 2010

ANP defused 2 bombs in Djebahia, Bouira.

http://www.elwatan.com/Deux-bombesdesamorcees,148313

### January 6, 2010

Gendarmes defused an IED placed under the Sidi Bachir Bridge in Oran. http://www.spectreinternational.com/documents/IncidentJA NUARY2010.pdf

### January 5, 2010

Terrorists kidnapped Algerian engineer working for the Canadian company SNC Lavalin in Djebahia, Kadiria, Bouira.

http://www.elwatan.com/Kadiria-Bouira-Un-ingenieur

### January 4, 2010

Bomb kills army colonel dismantling another bomb in Yakouren, Tizi Ouzou. http://www.elwatan.com/Le-colonel-Fateh-Benzelikha

# **Chad** 2010

### <u>June 6, 2010</u>

Armed group kidnaps westerner working for OXFAM in Abéché, located in the east of the country. http://www.lemonde.fr/depeches/2010/06/08/un-employe-occidental-de-l-ong-oxfam-enleve-dans-l-est-du-tchad-officiel\_3212\_60\_42662785.html

# Mali 2010

### August 10, 2010

AQIM operatives kidnap national guard member, customs official in northern desert. Customs official later executed. http://www.jeuneafrique.com/Article/ART JAWEB20100813073520/mali-securite-mauritanie-islamistesaqmi-execute-uncollaborateur-des-douanes-maliennes.html

### April 4, 2010

5 Malian soldiers wounded in roadside bomb explosion just across the border from the Algerian town of Tin Zaouatine. http://ca.news.yahoo.com/s/afp/100404 /world/mali\_algeria\_blast\_military

### January 22, 2010

Narcotraffickers kidnap Mayor of Anefis, Kidal for ransom, to recover revenue from cocaine stolen earlier in month. http://www.elwatan.com/Deux-mortsun-maire-enleve-et-un

### January 1, 2010

2 Malians killed, 2 wounded in firefight near Bouraïssa, Kidal between armed Tuaregs & narcotraffickers, who refused to pay tax to let 10 tons of cocaine through Tuareg territory. Tuaregs seize cocaine. http://www.elwatan.com/Deux-morts-un-maire-enleve-et-un

# Mauritania 2010

### August 25, 2010

Suicide bomber injures 3 soldiers in attack on military barracks in Nema, near Mali border. AQIM claims responsibility. http://www.jeuneafrique.com/Article/ARTJ AWEB20100825083305/mali-mauritanieterrorisme-attentatune-tentative-d-attentatsuicide-fait-plusieurs-blesses.html

### February 14, 2010

1 soldier was wounded during a shootout with members of al-Qaeda near Zouerate.

http://www.magharebia.com/cocoon/awi/ xhtml1/en\_GB/features/awi/newsbriefs/ge neral/2010/02/14/newsbrief-01

# Niger 2010

### April 22, 2010

A Frenchman and an Algerian were kidnapped by armed men in Inabangaret, near the Algerian border. http://www.lemonde.fr/afrique/article/2010/04/22/un-francais-et-un-algerienenleves-au-niger\_1341380\_3212.html

### March 8, 2010

5 soldiers were killed and an unknown number wounded during an attacked by AQIM on a military outpost in Tilwa, near the Malian border. http://www.jeuneafrique.com/Article/DEPAFP20100309T112614Z/niger-malial-qaida-aqmicinq-soldats-tues-lors-dune-attaque-d-al-qaida.html

### January 2, 2010

7 soldiers and 1 civilian were killed during an attack by armed assailants on a military outpost in Tahoua, near the Malian border.

http://www.jeuneafrique.com/Article/DEPA FP20100102T193941Z/violences-nigermali-securitesept-militaires-deux-assaillantset-un-civil-tues-a-la-frontiere-malienne.htm

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